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**NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT**

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## **Activity Summary**

Objectives and the corresponding activities for this month:

1. Adoption of specific hydro-meteorological disaster preparedness and mitigation measures to manage hydro-meteorological disaster risk by stakeholders in Dagupan City.

### **Reflection Workshop for the TWG**

#### **Orientation Workshop on 3d Mapping and TWG Planning**

2. Increased stakeholder involvement and further enhancement of strategies, tools, and methodologies related to community preparedness and mitigation of hydro-meteorological disasters in urban communities

### **Meeting with the Department of Education Culture and Sports (DECS) National DRR OIC**

#### **Reflection Workshop for the TWG**

#### **DRR and Climate Change Orientation for NGOs Fisheries**

#### **Orientation Workshop on 3d Mapping and TWG Planning**

3. Enhanced coordination with USAID Missions to promote sustainability and ensure program activities accord with USAID country and regional strategies.

### **Meeting with the Department of Education Culture and Sports (DECS) National DRR OIC**

4. Strengthen networks and regional links among relevant risk management institutions/ organizations for improving potential and capacity for application and dissemination of lessons learned.

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#### **DRR and Climate Change Orientation for NGOs Fisheries**

#### **Child Centered DRR and CBDRR Training for Save the Children Myanmar**

## **Activities**

### **Meeting with the Department of Education Culture and Sports (DECS) National DRR OIC**

Last January 13, 2009 Ms. Candy de Juan DECS DRR Officer-in-Charge (National level) met with the TWG of the Promise Team and Ms. Luneta to give an update on the efforts of the education sector at the national level on Disaster Risk Reduction. This was to give additional knowledge for the TWG to equip them in giving DRR orientation for other stakeholders especially the education sector.

Ms. de Juan also met the DECS Officials in Dagupan City through the TWG and discussed future collaboration on DRR activities in the Dagupan and Pangasinan Province. The objective of the meeting was to establish future partnerships for DRR to help in mainstreaming DRR in the Local Education Sector. The group agreed to have series of meetings to discuss the details of possible DRR Orientation training and other activities for the education sector.

### **Reflection Workshop for the TWG**

The TWG Reflection Workshop was held last January 13, 2009 in Star Plaza at Dagupan City. The objective of the workshop was to get the lessons learned, suggestions, and reflections of the TWG about their working experience in the PROMISE project. During the workshop team building was done.

Among the key points expressed during the workshop are the following:

- The TWG have a deepen and have a more sensible appreciation of the knowledge on disaster and DRR and climate change
- Professional and personal bonding relationship built among TWG members which facilitate smooth working relationship among each other.
- Skills in training and disaster preparedness activities as well as in emergency response improved dramatically
- Motivation are lifted through small and big success of the project manifested in the community and the city
- Challenge of reactivating all BDCC and sustaining the energy of the first 8 brgys.

### **Orientation Workshop on 3d Mapping and TWG Planning**

On January 14, 2009 Professor JC Gilliard of UP Geo Department gave an orientation on 3d Mapping in Barangay Mangin. The participants were the TWG and the BDCC of Brgy. Mangin. This was done to see the relevance of having a 3d map in DRR planning. This would also serve as an update for their existing hazard map.

Brgy, Mangin was chosen as the pilot community for this endeavor since they were the most active BDCC and is a role model in DRR in Dagupan City. Brgy Mangin in the leadership of Captain Bernard Cabison gave assurance of community support. They even volunteered in making a table as base for the map.

Initial planning for the 3d mapping for Barangay Mangin was also done. The TWG would later help in facilitating the 3d mapping in other barangays with the help of the Mangin BDCC.

TWG planning also occurred after the orientation.

## **DRR and Climate Change Orientation for NGOs Fisheries**

Ms. Luneta shared the DRR and PROMISE experience in Dagupan City to the NGOs Fisheries. Furthermore the Climate Change Adaptation of the City was also shared in this orientation. This was done in PHILDRA, last January 15, 2009.

This was attended by different NGOs in the Fisheries Sector. The participants appreciated the sharing and expressed the possibility of having a re echo with their other partners.

## **Child Centered DRR and CBDRR Training for Save the Children Myanmar**

CDP had training for SC-Myanmar on Child Centered DRR and CBDRR last January 28-30, 2009.

Ms. Luneta was one of the facilitators of this training she shared CDP's experience on CC DRR and CBDRR. She also shared the CBDRR experience of Dagupan City. One of the most detailed sharing was the Early Warning System set up by Barangay Mangin.

### **A. Next month activities Plan**

Actual 3d Mapping in Mangin

Roll out of CBDRR training for the medium risk barangays in Dagupan

DRR training for other Stakeholders (Fisherman Sectors)

Finance Evaluation

### **B. Issues encountered and solutions**

Involving the education sector in Dagupan and Pangasinan in DRR needs a lot of support and time. The Promise partners are trying to sacrifice time from their usual work to give time in organizing for the education sector.

For the Climate Change Adaptation and DRR Planning, the timing for the event is crucial. Local partners are looking for the best time for this.

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